

Dedham July 5th 1775

Sir

As it gives me pleasure to hear from a friend of mine, so it gives me satisfaction to write to him, altho I have nothing of importance to relate. — my Father's family are much as usual except my Mother, who is quite spry for her; she rides out in good weather, and I hope is in a fair way to enjoy a comfortable state of health. — Eben. has been quite ill, but has now recover'd. — as to my health it is very variable; but I believe no worse.

I know of nothing remarkable that has took place of late in Dedham; there seems ^{to be} a general voice of health, and union — the state of this country is now very distressing almost every day increases the number of slain; God in righteous anger, has permitted the sword of civil war to be drawn ~~on~~ that it may not be to the destruction of our land, but only to purge away our sins; that this may be the happy case.

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let us intreat of God that he would ~~pour~~
pour out upon the inhabitants of this
land a spirit of prayer of repentance
and reformation, that we may all know
him from the least even to the greatest.

I shall conclude this epistle with
only desiring, that your prayers may
ascend with mine to the throne of Grace
that God would hasten that happy time
when we may again sit under our own
vines and fig-trees having none to molest
us or make us afraid

I am Yours with respect

N. Fisher Jun^r

N. B. my best regards to all Friends
I hope you will or send an Epistle
soon

Excuse errors

To
W^m Nathl^l Gilbert

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for favor of } Bingham
W^m Bearing }